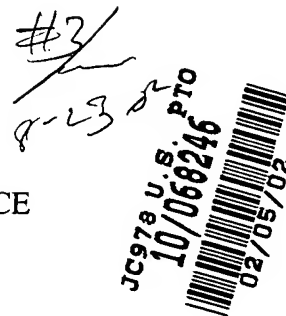


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re patent)
application of:)
)
Marc Horna et al.)
)
In Continuation of International)
Application No. PCT/EP00/07552)
)
Filed August 3, 2000)
)
NOZZLE ARRANGEMENT, NOZZLE)
HOLDER AND DEVICE FOR)
EXTRUDING MATERIALS IN)
DOUGH FORM)

February 5, 2002

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure embodied in 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants wish to formally bring to the attention of the Examiner the following patents, publications and/or other information:

The references are listed on the attached Form 1449.

Express Mail Label No. EL916999902US Date of Deposit February 5, 2002

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR §1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

Sheyl A. Hutchings

Signature of person mailing paper or fee

1. US 2532131	Dated 11-28-1950	cited in International Search Report
2. US 4288463	Dated 09-08-1981	cited in International Search Report
3. US 4900572	Dated 02-13-1990	cited in International Search Report
4. US 5120554	Dated 06-09-1992	cited in priority application
5. US 5518749	Dated 05-21-1996	cited in priority application and during examination of priority application
6. US 5620713	Dated 04-15-1997	cited in International Search Report
7. US 5637341	Dated 06-10-1997	cited in priority application and during examination of priority application
8. US 5834040	Dated 11-10-1998	cited in International Search Report
9. EP 0168255 A2	Dated 01-15-1986	cited in priority application
10. EP 0177175 A2	Dated 04-09-1986	cited in priority application
11. EP 0202143 A2	Dated 11-20-1986	cited in priority application
12. EP 0287209 A2	Dated 10-19-1988	cited in International Search Report
13. EP 0434983 A1	Dated 08-03-1991	cited in International Search Report and International Preliminary Examination Report
14. WO 9303909	Dated 03-04-1993	cited in International Search Report and International Preliminary Examination Report
15. EP 0704158 A1	Dated 04-03-1996	cited in priority application and during examination of priority application
16. WO 9725881	Dated 07-24-1997	cited in priority application

Copies of the cited items are attached hereto.

The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in §1.56(b).

It is believed that no fee is required for consideration of the submitted items. Should any fee be required, however, please charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

Respectfully submitted

By: Clifford W. Browning
Clifford W. Browning
Reg. No. 32,201
Woodard, Emhardt, Naughton,
Moriarty & McNett
Bank One Center/Tower
111 Monument Circle, Suite 3700
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-5137
(317) 634-3456

#157064

PTO/SB/08A (08-00)
Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				Complete if Known	
				Application Number	
				Filing Date	February 5, 2002
				First Named Inventor	Marc Horna
				Group Art Unit	
				Examiner Name	
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	16787-6

JCE978 U.S. PTO
 10/068246

[illegible][illegible]

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-----------------------	--	--------------------	--

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Unique citation designation number. ² See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U. S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. **DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO:** Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.